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COLD STORAGE REPORT AS OF MARCH 1, 1941

With the exception of frozen and cured meats and lard, all commodities in cold storage were reduced during February, the Agricultural Marketing Service reports.

Cold storage holdings of apples on March 1, 1941, indicated withdrawals of about 6 million bushels during the preceding month; stocks of frozen fruits and berries were reduced by $13\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds; frozen vegetables by 8 million; creamery butter by 13 million; all cheese by about 5 3/4 million and frozen poultry by 28 million pounds.

Aggregate stocks of all frozen and cured meats were increased during February by 31 million pounds. Frozen and cured beef holdings, however, were reduced by $9\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds and offal and trimmings by $9\frac{1}{2}$ million, but this was more than offset by an increase in pork of about 50 million pounds. Lard stocks continued to accumulate; the increase during February totaled nearly 18 million pounds. In addition, about a million pounds of rendered pork fat went into storage.

The monthly space occupancy report covering operations of 211 public warehouses for March 1, indicates that 50 percent of the available net piling space was occupied. This compares with 55 percent for February 1. The average occupancy for coclers was 40 percent and freezers 71 percent compared with 46 and 77 percent, respectively, for February 1.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

FRESH FRUITS

Holdings of apples in cold storage on March 1, 1941, totaled 16,880,000 bushels. This quantity exceeds stocks on hand a year earlier by 2,387,000 bushels and the 5-year (1936-40) average by 1,001,000 bushels. The apparent out-of-storage movement of apples during February 1941 was 6,134,000 bushels compared with 5,813,000 for the same period of 1940 and 5,986,000 for the 5-year average.

The Surplus Marketing Administration reported that it held no stocks on March 1.

FROZEN FRUITS

March 1 stocks of frozen fruits and berries totaled 114,705,000 pounds. This indicates net withdrawals during February of 13,566,000 pounds. A year earlier the apparent out-of-storage movement was 12,427,000 pounds. Of the total reported, 21,821,000 pounds were unclassified as to variety.

FROZEN VEGETABLES

Stocks of all frozen vegetables totaled 62,873,000 pounds, indicating net withdrawals from storage during February of 8,046,000 pounds. A year earlier the out-of-storage movement was 6,183,000 pounds. The quantity unclassified by variety was 2,394,000 pounds.

Contents of March 1 Cold Storage Report

Separate tables appearing in this report show United States stocks on hand on March 1, this year compared with previous periods, for the following groups of commodities:

Fresh Fruits and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, page 3;

Dairy and Poultry Products, page 4;

Meats (cured and frozen) and Lard, page 5.

Special tables of cold storage holdings are included for cream, butter, American cheese, eggs and poultry, by States, page 6; apples, by States, and frozen fruits, by container-size, page 7; March 1, 1941, data for all commodities, by geographic regions, pages 8 and 9; the monthly report on warehouse space occupancy in cubic feet reported, with comparisons and revised figures for February 1, 1941, the percentage of space occupied on March 1, 1941 (preliminary) and February 1, 1941, (revised), and the monthly average for the year 1940, page 10.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

(See table on page 8 for March 1, 1941, holdings by geographic divisions) Mar. 1, Mar. 1. Feb. 1, Mar. 1, Commodity 5-yr.av. 1940 1941 1941 1936-40 - Thousands -FRUITS, FRESH Apples.....barrels..... 197 44 62 129 7,683 6.306 10,239 7,598 Apples..... Eastern boxes. 3,760 6,074 4,282 1/ Apples bushel baskets 7,605 4,040 4,868 6,515 TOTAL APPLES.....bushels..... 15,879 14,493 23,014 16,880 Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes.. 15 19 5 7 Pears, Bartletts.....loose boxes... 3 1 15 2 Pears, all other varieties..boxes..... 366 414 525 327 Pears.....bushel baskets 17 1 43 21 FRUITS, FROZEN 2/ Blackberries.....pounds..... Data 3,861 5,878 4,839 Blueberries...... 4,440 for 7,534 6.978 Cherries..... 18,686 these 17,918 15,040 Logan and similar berries ... 1,788 earlier 2,391 1,924 Paspberries..... 6,645 years 11,317 10,244 Strawberries........ 30,599 37,281 32,825 not Other fruits..... compara-16,901 21, 338 21,034 Classification not reported. ble 21,993 24,814 21,821 TOTAL..... 128,271 114,705 104,913 88,586

VEGETABLES, FROZEN

Asparagus.....pounds....

TOTAL.......

Beans, lima.....

Beans, snap......

Broccoli, green.....

Corn, sweet.....

Peas, green......

Spinach.....

Cther vegetables.....

Classification not reported.

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7,138

5,234

1.678

6,155

4,713

2,867

3,365

61,397

17,738

12,509

5,735

5,821

1,969

4,938

26,434

4,358

6,032

4,022

70,919

11,611

5,155

5,171

1,695

4,585

23,337

3,867

5,960

2,394

62,873

10,709

Previously included with "bushel baskets".

^{2/} See also table on page 7 showing reported segregation by small and large containers.

^{3/} The Surplus Marketing Administration reports no stocks of apples on hand March 1, 1941.

Stocks of creamery butter on hand March 1, 1941, totaled 16,520,000 pounds. This quantity is the lowest for March 1 since 1924 and is 1,846,000 pounds less than the quantity on hand March 1, 1940, and 15,722,000 pounds below the 5-year (1936-40) average. The net reduction during February was 13,195,000 pounds, which compares with a reduction during February a year earlier of 10,823,000 and an average of 14,956,000 pounds.

The Dairy Products Marketing Association still carries 56,000 pounds of butter in storage and The Surplus Marketing Administration has increased its holdings to 1,383,000 pounds.

Cheese stocks were reduced by 5,718,000 pounds and March 1 holdings, totaling 119,590,000 pounds, exceeded those of a year earlier by 36,540,000 and the 5-year average by 33,018,000 pounds.

Stocks of eggs were 298,000 cases of shell and 45,120,000 pounds of frozen egg meats, or total case-equivalent of 1,587,000. This quantity is 418,000 cases in excess of March 1, 1940, stocks but 25,000 cases are 15,963 cases held for the account of The Surplus Marketing Administration.

The out-of-storage movement of all frozen poultry during February totaled 28,063,000 pounds. This movement compares with a similar one a year earlier of 22,203,000 and a 5-year average of 18,522,000 pounds.

March 1, 1941, stocks, totaling 163,347,000 pounds, exceeded those of March 1, 1940, by 18,588,000 pounds and the average by 42,322,000 pounds. All varieties without exception showed decreases from a month earlier.

(See table on page 9 for March 1, 1941, holdings by geographic divisions)

Commodity Mar. 1, 5-yr.av. 1936-40	Mar. 1, 1940	Feb. 1, 1941	Mar. 1, 1941
CREAM	- Thous	ands -	
Forty percent40-qt. cans 53	56	76	51
Twenty percent " " 2	-	1	1
BUTTER	And the second s		
Creamery, totalpounds 32,242	18,366	29,715	16,520
DPMA holdings "	669	66	66
SMA* & Relief holdings "	_,,	67	1,383
Commercial stocks " 15,061	the second of th	29,582	15,071
Packing stock " 72	6	7	6
CHEESE .			
American " 73,426		109,820	105,042
Swiss including block 4,539		5,108	5,235
Brick and Munster 49	1	545	575
Limburger 703	1	560	414
7,855		9,275	8,324
TOTAL CHEESE " 86,572	83,050	125,308	119,590
EGGS			
Shell	1	297	1/ 298
Frozenpounds 50,411	1	53,828	45,120
Frozen 2/equivalent cases 1,440		1,538	1,289
TOTAL EGGS 3/cases	1,169	1,835	1,587
FROZEN POULTRY			
Broilerspounds	7,795	9,744	7,642
Fryers 10,577	· ·	12,867	10,791
Roasters 24,759		31,605	28,916
Fowls 19,373		35,157	28,998
Turkeys " 34,439	1	65,343	59,188
Ducks	1	5,828	3,664 14,594
TI TO THE TOTAL TO	14,140	17,459 13,407	9,554
TOTAL FROZEN POULTRY " 121,025		191,410	163,347

The Surplus Marketing Administration (formerly The Federal Surplus Commodities Corporation).

Includes 15,963 cases owned by The Surplus Marketing Administration for relief distribution. Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 35 pounds to the case.

SPECIAL NOTE: 81 percent of total frozen eggs reported as of March 1, 1941, were classified as follows: Whites - 28 percent; Yolks - 25 percent; and Mixed - 47 percent.

Carried under "Miscellaneous poultry" previous to January 1, 1940.

MEATS AND LARD

The aggregate increase in stocks of frozen and cured meats, beef, pork, and trimmings during February totaled 31,154,000 pounds. Frozen and cured beef holdings were reduced by $9\frac{1}{2}$ million and trimmings and offal by the same amount, but pork stocks increased more than 50 million pounds.

Total meat stocks of approximately 983 million pounds were about 146 million pounds heavier than those of March 1, 1940, and 201 million pounds above the 5-year (1936-40) average for March 1.

Further increases in lard stocks occurred during February. These totaled nearly 18 million pounds. March 1 holdings of about $317\frac{1}{2}$ million were 61 million pounds above those of a year earlier and about $161\frac{1}{2}$ million above average. In addition to the lard stocks, there were 8 million pounds of rendered pork fat on hand. Included in the figures for lard stocks are about $6\frac{1}{2}$ million pounds held for the account of The Surplus Marketing Administration.

(See table on page 9 for March 1, 1941, holdings by geographic divisions)

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Commodity	Mar. 1, 5-yr.av. 1936-40	Mar. 1,	Feb. 1,	Mar. 1,			
BEEF		- Thousand pounds -					
Frozen		60,481	89,084	81,682			
In process of cure	13,570	10,261	16,065	13,635			
Cured	5,232	3,966	3,473	3,780			
TOTAL BEEF	86,499	74,708	108,622	99,097			
PORK							
Frozen	233,181	298,638	378,378	406,892			
Dry salt in process of cure	1:	48,100	53,968	59,630			
Dry salt cured		37,660	35,846	47,889			
Pickled in process of cure		156,252	169,987	167,038			
Pickled cured		110,003	101,748	108,936			
TOTAL PORK	600,510	650,653	739,927	790,385			
LAMB AND MUTTON							
Frozen	4,631	4,488	4,699	4,410			
TD114411100 1110 52101 5 05511							
TRIMMINGS AND EDIBLE OFFAL							
Frozen and cured	89,655	106,654	98,283	88,793			
TOTAL MEATS	781,295	836,503	951,531	982,685			
	101,230	000,000	301,001	302,000			
LARD	156,020	256,640	299,644	1/317,451			
RENDERED PORK FAT	2/	<u>2</u> /	7,246	8,391			

Included in the total reported for lard are 6,691,000 pounds owned by The Surplus Marketing Administration in storage outside of processing plants. This quantity was reported as of March 1, 1941.

^{2/} Previously included with lard.

HOLDINGS OF SPECIFIED COMMODITIES, BY STATES, MARCH 1, 1941

STATE	Cream (40-qt. cans)	Butter Lbs.	American cheese Lbs.	Eggs Cases	Frozen eggs Lbs.	Total poultry Lbs.
			- Thou	usands		,
Massachusetts Other States	1	414 172	1,862 428		833 · 256	9,791 1,375
NEW ENGLAND	,	586	2,290	4	1,089	11,166
New York New Jersey Pennsylvania:	42	1,928 1,740 880	7,929 4,440 2,148		3,851 2,984 2,508	32,524 11,799 5,832
MIDDLE ATLANTIÇ		4,548	14,517	44	9,343	50,155
Ohio Indiana Illinois Michigan Wisconsin	2	753 113 5,838 280 272	520 86 7,228 884 60,146		2,132 447 6,508 863 541	4,621 1,714 38,748 2,667 921
EAST N. CENTRAL		7,256	68,864	69	10,491	48,671
Minnesota. Iowa. Missouri Nebraska. Kansas. Dakotas.	2	451 140 747 217 151 29	748 45 5,146 427 308		845 1,154 5,383 2,520 3,618 6	5,284 5,553 9,586 9,693 1,552 101
WEST N. CENTRAL		1,735	6,674	29	13,526	31,769
SOUTH ATLANTIC		594	1,857	14	1,863	3,563
Kentucky TennesseeAlabama & Mississippi		4 291 149	329 444 274		351 472 172	2,346 818 99
EAST S. CENTRAL		444	1,047	4	995	3,263
Oklahoma		90 381 39	49 1,946 254		1,783 3,029 684	1,410
WEST'S. CENTRAL		510	2,249	24	5,496	1,737
ColoradoOther States		68 23	281 2,037		103 126	420 · 423
MOUNTAIN		91	2,318	14	229	843
WashingtonOregon		431 15 310	430 311 4,485		913 93 1,082	3,514 1,928 6,738
PACIFIC		756	5,226	96	2,088	12,180
Other States, combined for cream only	2					,
UNITED STATES	52	16,520	105,042	298	45,120	163,347

APPLES: HOLDINGS IN COLD STORAGE, BY STATES

		Ma	arch 1, 194	11	1	March 1, 1940					
STATE		Воз	xes		Total	Total					
	Barrels	Western	Eastern	Baskets	bushels	bushels					
				L	Li	L					
	- <u>Thousands</u> -										
Vermont	_	- 1	44		44	1 49					
Connecticut	_	-	107	-	107	111					
Massachusetts	_ ·	8	412	-	420	344					
New York	3	20	1,850	503	2,382	2,818					
New Jersey		23	212	452	687	514					
Pennsylvania	1	13	267	763	1,046	786					
Ohio	· -	8	92	196	296	360					
Indiana	- '	. 36	4	86	126	82					
Illinois	-	31	166	362	559	349					
Michigan	-	28	146	344	518	444					
Wisconsin		21	16	28	65	46					
Minnesota	_	66	_	4	70	24					
Missouri	<u>-</u>	35	26	341	402	212					
Virginia	30	32	822	1,350	2,294	1,698					
West Virginia	3	-	66	133	208	142					
Texas	-	36	-	1	37	40					
Washington	-	5,872	-	-	5,872	5,027					
Oregon	-	614	-	-	614	303					
California		681	-	- .	681	718					
Other States	7	74	52	305	452	426					
UNITED STATES.	44	7,598	4,282	4,868	16,880	14,493					

FROZEN FRUITS: HOLDINGS IN SMALL AND LARGE CONTAINERS

FEBRUARY 1 and MARCH 1, 1941

Commodity	In small co Less than 30		In bulk or large containers (30lb.or greater capacity)			
. :	February 1	March 1	February 1	March 1		
		- Thous	and pounds -			
Blackberries. Blueberries. Cherries. Logan and similar berries. Raspberries. Strawberries. Other fruits. Classification not reported	1,393 8,018 3,654	305 1,291 1,677 385 1,268 6,840 3,824 4,007	5,348 6,122 16,262 1,830 9,924 29,263 17,484 20,525	4,534 5,687 13,363 1,539 8,976 25,985 17,210 17,814		
TOTAL	21,513	19,597	106,758	95,108		

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* a.b.	Total		7,598 4,282 4,868	5 227 327 21		305 1,291 1,677 385 1,268 6,840 7,831	4,534 5,687 1,539 8,976 25,985 35,028	4,839 6,978 15,040 1,924 10,244 32,825 42,855
	Pacific		7,168	304		159 28 38 267 279 1,654 3,557	2,237 617 753 594 7,078 7,560	2,396 8 655 1,020 8,732 8,732
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REGIONS	West South Central		N 1 00 1	11 년 1	-	112 122 221 	. 72 76 76 14 14 15 33 35 35 35	72 6 88 33 35 396 396
GEOGRAPHIC	East South Central	sands -	1010	11 न 1	. ".	1 5 134 260	14 70 70 1111 1555 320	14 4 4 70 70 50 289 580 580
BY GEO	South Atlantic	- Thousands	36 45 959 1,595	1104		6 218 3 151 750 223	563 137 321 31 156 2,580	569 214 234 539 34 3,330 1,336
1941,	West North Central		103 30 483	1 1 1	,	2 44 33 10 144 370 103	353 283 . 678 30 1,996 1,996	355 327 711 740 387 2,366 951
3CH 1,	East North Central		125 423 1,016	ч 100		111 307 404 81 361 1,773	320 1,067 3,028 2,377 2,271 5,013	1,374 3,432 3,432 2,632 6,786 10,580
GS, MARC	Middle Atlantic		2,334 1,718	111		25 599 938 16 1,271 1,442	3,614 8,209 198 4,226 6,857 16,003	796 4,213 9,147 214 4,443 8,128 17,445
HOLDINGS,	New		10 536 6	1111		240 34 75 570 105	204 578 272 62 1,352 1,313	204 818 818 305 63 1,427 1,883
COLD STORAGE	Commodity	A. OTT. DRITTED		Pears, Bartlettspacked boxes Pears, Bartlettsloose boxes Pears, all other varietiesboxes Pears	FRITTS, FICZEN	Elackberries pounds. Blackberries pounds. Cherries " Logan and similar berries " Raspberries " Strawberries " Other fruits "	In_bulk_or_large_containers Blackberriespounls. Blueberries Cherries Logan and similar berries Raspberries Strawberries Other fruits	Blackberries pounds Blueberries cherries cherrie

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2/ Previously included with lard.

1/ Includes DPMA, SMA, and relief holdings, as well as commercial stocks.

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1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Total		51	16,520	105,042 5,235 575 414 8,324	298	7,642 10,791 28,916 28,998 59,188 3,664 14,594 9,554	81,682 13,635 3,780	406,892 59,630 47,889 187,038 108,936	4,410	88,793	317,451	8, 391
(•	Pacific		1 1	756	5,226	3,088 2,088	336 256 481 692 9,027 37 582 769.	6,032 198 74	11,887 684 280 5,009 2,501	270	2,048	4,331	259
CONT'D	Mountain		1 1	91	2,318 119 44 1	14 229	48 64 11 199 415 10 23	986 34 49	5,527 230 488 2,635 2,688	. 38	1,954	2,405	279
ONO!	West South Central		1 1	510	2,249 82 22 22 459	5,496	46 32 1,125 482 3 46	7,065	13,880 4,000 1,363 7,182 1,144	92	2,884	3,140	388
C REGIO	East South Central	Thousands -	1 1	444	1,047	995	311 203 176 152 484 52 1,788 1,788	1,879	7,447 1,378 1,001 2,011	1	2,301	1,450	15
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BY GE	West North Central		∾ ı	1,735	6,674 40 52 10 679	13,526	2,025 4,446 7,137 6,663 4,759 2,576 4,041	17,739 3,330 1,363	182,614 25,320 23,154 65,698 55,230	621	31,580	60,562	4,802
, 1941,	East North Central		24	7,256	68,864 4,111 398 261 1,400	10,491	2,775 3,584 8,996 11,018 14,049 890 3,805 3,554	32,894 7,471 1,927	131,602 18,914 17,753 54,237 38,509	895	25,090	223,088	2,061
MARCH 1	Middle Atlantic		46	4,548	14,517 685 59 139 3,988	9,343	1,678 1,904 9,320 7,680 21,654 2,059 4,897	8,017 2,058 322	21,342 1,508 686 11,765 2,952	2,051	12,036	13,569	84
	New England		٦,	286	2,290	1,089	197 184 2,283 964 6,667 613	1,821 10 10	10,377 715 422 10,014 2,412	331	2,650	3,578	400
COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS,	Commodity	DAIRY PRODUCTS	Cream, Forty percent40-qt. cans	r, creamer, packir	Cheese, American	Eggs, frozenpounds	Broilerspounds Fryers Roasters Fowls Turkeys Miscellaneous poultry Wickelassified frozen poultry	Beef, frczenpounds Beef, in process of cure Beef, cured	Pork, frozen	Lamb and mutton, frozen"		Lard	Rendered pork Est. 4.

OCCUPANCY OF AVAILABLE COLD STORAGE SPACE IN PUBLIC WAREHOUSES

UNITED STATES

March 1, 1941, with comparisons

	Number		vailable space	ce	d	pace occupio	ed
Date	concerns reporting	·Coolers	Freezers	Combined	Coolers	Freezers	Combined
1940 January 1 February 1 March 1 April 1 May 1 June 1 July 1 August 1 September 1	251 260 256 250 243 237 239 237 239	100,770 104,785 108,387 114,126 102,321 101,681 107,321 103,656 97,690	50,119 52,229 50,473 54,707 47,791 47,120 51,037 49,671 46,561	- Thousand of 150,889 157,014 158,860 168,833 150,112 148,801 158,358 153,327 144,251	de d	33,185 34,726 32,156 32,186 27,153 27,751 34,336 35,535 31,500	78,084 75,150 70,469 76,491 70,067 75,758 93,969 96,952 88,259
October 1 November 1 December 1 1941 January 1 February 1* March 1**	252 262 262 273	104,462 102,228 108,547 104,864 104,074 81,028	46,576 45,023 47,567 52,960 51,468 41,768	151,038 147,251 156,114 157,824 155,542 122,796	60,818 63,267 64,738 55,408 48,439 32,910	32,085 30,797 33,845 41,929 40,290 29,885	92,903 94,064 98,583 97,337 88,729 62,795

^{*} Revised.

PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED, BY GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS ... February 1 and March 1, 1941

		Februar	y 1, 1941*						
Geographic regions	Number concerns	Coolers Freezers Compined		Number	Coolers	Freezers	Combined		
			- Percent	-		- Percent -			
New England	11	39	81	57	11	3 5	67	52	
Middle Atlantic.	60	44	72	52	55	39	64	47	
East N. Central.	47	52	85	65	38	44	81	58	
West N. Central.	31	59	82	70	23	50	83	65	
South Atlantic	31	60	80	65	17	49	75	56	
East S. Central.	6	14	72	22	2	9	57	12	
West S. Central.	22	57	72	60	16	52	75	58	
Mountain	14	39	81	53,	10	36	86	55	
Pacific	51	29	70	39	39	28	56	34	
UNITED STATES 1/	273	46	77	55	211	40	71	50	

^{*} Revised.

MONTHLY AVERAGE OF SPACE OCCUPANCY FOR YEAR 1940

Geo graphic	Average number concerns	Average net piling space	Average space occu- pied	Average monthly percent- age of occupancy	Average net piling space	Average space occu- pied	Average monthly percent- age of occupancy	piling	Average space occu- pied	Average monthly percent- age of occupancy
regions	reporting		Coolers	5]	Freezers	S	Combined	Coolers	& Freezers
		Thousand cubic feet		Percent	Thousand cubic feet		Percent	Thousand cubic feet		Percent
N.Eng Mid.Atl E.N.Cent. W.N.Cent. S.Atl E.S.Cent. W.S.Cent. Mountain. Pacific.	10 52 44 29 30 6 19 12	4,300 31,325 24,264 12,610 8,133 1,603 5,974 1,735 14,721	1,785 14,795 14,767 7,359 4,070 544 2,645 857 5,303	47.2 60.8 58.3 50.0 33.9 44.2 49.3	3,907 13,482 12,659 8,734 2,719 520 1,894 763 4,394	8,273 6,490 1,699 383 1,185 503	73.6	8,207 44,807 36,923 21,344 10,852 2,123 7,868 2,498 19,115	23,414 23,040 13,849	52.2 62.4 64.8
U.S	248	104,665	52,125	49.8	49,072	32,105	65.4	153,737	84,230	54.7

^{**} Preliminary.

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Result of weighting geographic region percentage figures by respective proportion of total

U.S.available space in public cold storage warehouses.